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## **REMARKS**

In response to the Restriction Requirement of December 15, 2004, <u>Applicants hereby</u> <u>elect the claims of Invention I (Claims 1-21)</u>, drawn to semiconductor devices. Applicants have canceled some of the claims drawn to Invention II (Claims 22-32 and 41-44), drawn to methods of making semiconductor devices. This cancellation is being done without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application for these claims. Applicants are not traversing the restriction requirement because Applicants agree that unpatentability of the product claims of Invention I would not necessarily imply unpatentability of Claims 22-32 and/or 41-44 and vice versa. The Title has been changed to conform to cancellation of the method claims.

Applicants, however, have not cancelled all of the claims of Invention II as

Applicants believe that the Examiner did not intend to include Claims 33-40 as part of

Invention II. Claims 33-40 are each directed to semiconductor memory devices, and hence
should have been included as part of Invention I. Accordingly, with respect to Claims 33-40,
Applicants respectfully traverse the Restriction Requirement and submit that these claims
should be included as part of Invention I.

Favorable examination and allowance of Claims 1-21 and 33-40 is respectfully requested. If the Examiner deems that this response is not completely responsive to the restriction requirement, the undersigned respectfully asks the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below, so as to resolve any issues that are not apparent to the undersigned.

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